Minutes

TOWN MEETING COORDINATING COMMITTEE Wednesday, June 21, 2017

Present: Peggy Roberts, Alan Powell, Barbara Ford, Jacqueline Maidana, Mary Streeter, Chris Riddle Others: John Hornik from Subcommittee on Policies & Procedures (SPP)

Absent: Patricia Holland

- 1. Called to Order: 4:10 pm. In the Lower Meeting Room at the Bang's Center
- 2. Public Comment: None
- 3. <u>Discuss Previous Events, Evaluations and Town Meeting</u>: Reviewed working relationship with Select Board liaison.
- 4. Subcommittee Work:
 - a. <u>Inclusion</u>: The next SPP meeting will be at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, July 19. Members of the Human Rights Commission will attend, to help us work on a proposal on ways to make Town Meeting (TM) more inclusive. We hope to have such a proposal ready for the Fall TM.
 - b. <u>Minimum Time between Warrant Signing and TM</u>: We also hope to have an advisory article, addressed to the SB, which will recommend a minimum number of days between Warrant signing and the opening night of TM. We're thinking that we'll recommend 45 days, not 60 as previously suggested. Note that the Town Meeting Advisory Committee (TMAC).
 - c. <u>Town Meeting Advisory Committee (TMAC)</u>: We reviewed the current draft of a proposal for a new committee with John Hornik.
 - d. The SPP will hold a forum on the TMAC on Sept. 13. Chris Riddle invited TMCC members to attend. The SPP will send summary info to Mary Streeter, who will post it on the TM page and distribute it to the listserv.
 - e. <u>SPP Membership</u>: The SPP needs three new members. We brainstormed a list of possible candidates, which will go to the SPP for review:
- 5. Calendar: We reviewed the calendar for the Fall TM, prepared by Mary.
 - a. Add the SPP TMAC Forum on Sept. 13.
 - b. <u>Moved and Seconded</u>: "I move that the TMCC request that the mailing be sent out by the end of the same week in which the warrant is signed, in order for there to be sufficient time for the TMCC educational events to occur." Voted in favor, unanimously.
- 6. Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 27, 3:00 pm.
- 7. Adjourned: 6:05 pm.

Chris Riddle, acting clerk

Documents distributed:

Agenda

Town Meeting Advisory Committee handout, 4 pages

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